

**LIGHT THROWN ON A MUCH  
DISPUTED QUESTION.**

the cards, and the player with the open end straight was certain that his eight cards were among those 32 from which he was to draw, so that his chances were 8 in 32 instead of 8 in 47, making it apparently only about 3 to 1 against filling, instead of the actual 14 to 1.

In the same way the four card flush has 9 chances in 32, instead of 9 in 47, so that it is apparently only 2½ to 1 against filling it as against the usual 14½ to 1.

In the case of the two pairs the chance of improvement is usually calculated as 14 to 1 against it. This is in fact now reduced to 1 in 32, or 7 to 1 against it, so that take it by and large the ratio remains about the same and there is no particular injustice done to any player who is drawing from thirty-two known cards, among which are known to be all the cards he can use.

All the case of the single pair is more

In 21 instances these improved hands beat improved kings, 15 times they beat improved queens, 14 times they beat improved jacks, 13 times they beat improved aces, 12 times they beat improved tens, 11 times they beat improved nines, 10 times they beat improved eights, 9 times they beat improved sevens, 8 times they beat improved sixes, 7 times they beat improved fives, 6 times they beat improved fours, 5 times they beat improved threes, 4 times they beat improved twos, 3 times they beat improved ones, 2 times they beat improved deuces, and 1 time they beat improved blanks.

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The Church Army has in the course of its existence received many novel gifts and now it has been favored with the offer of a mountain. A friend in Wales has written offering to the society what he describes as a small mountain. The explanation is that the mountain contains a large quantity of stone which the donor thinks may be useful in providing employment in quarrying to the men under the

th of the river there are at least 100,000 additional cords, making a total of 300,000. It is possibly much more, exclusive of the supply at the pulp mills required in making paper pulp.

His wood supply is not controlled by a few large dealers, but is in many different hands in amounts varying from a few hundred to many thousands of cords.

numerous encounters with raccoons. Its face and body are seamed with scars and only the stubs of its ears remain.

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